

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

The telephone interview was conducted on May 16, 2008 and attended by Examiner Michael L. Borin and Applicant's representatives, Mark R. Benedict and Raymond D. Smith.

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

none

Identification of Claims Discussed

Claims 1 and 2

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

none

Proposed Amendments

Applicants proposed to combine the limitation of Claim 2 into Claim 1, further adding the step of selecting an LXR agonist that exhibits a greater effect on expression of an inflammatory gene than on expression of a lipid metabolism gene.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

Applicants representative discussed the patentability of treating an inflammation disease or condition in a mammal with an LXR agonist that exhibits a greater effect on expression of an inflammatory gene than on expression of a lipid metabolism gene, and how the step of selecting an LXR agonist that exhibits a greater effect on expression of an inflammatory gene than on expression of a lipid metabolism gene is not disclosed or suggested in the prior art.

Results of Interview

The Applicant's representatives agreed to submit a Response to the Office Action for consideration by the Examiner, amending the claims as discussed.